Shortly after the 50th anniversary, Stordahl, Grong, Bethel, and Wildrose Lutheran Churches merged into one church, and in January of 1962 the name Grace Lutheran Church was adopted.

In honor of the city's 100th anniversary, community leaders have organized a parade, a beard contest, a street dance, and many other fun and exciting events.

I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. Senate join me in congratulating Wildrose, ND, and its residents on their first 100 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Wildrose and all other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Wildrose that have helped shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

Wildrose has a proud past and a bright future.●

PETTIBONE, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. On July 3-4, the residents of Pettibone will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Pettibone began as a Northern Pacific Railroad station, and was founded in 1910 by Lee C. Pettibone, who named the growing community after himself. The post office was established on September 1 of that year. Pettibone is the home of the late William Hurley, a successful civil rights lawyer who won the first monetary settlement against the Ku Klux Klan in the 1960s.

Today, Pettibone is a town of about 75 people located in the northeastern part of Kidder County. It contains several different businesses including a cafe, and a post office. With its gently rolling hills, German-Russian, Scandinavian, and Dutch immigrants found the land suitable to cultivating large fields of the crops they knew how to farm. Today, their descendants grow wheat, barley, oats, potatoes, flax, and beans—all crops that continue to be important to our country's agricultural industry.

The 100th anniversary festivities will include a parade, a carnival, a magician, fireworks display, demolition derby, and other celebratory events.

I ask the U.S. Senate to join me in congratulating Pettibone, ND, and its residents on their first 100 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Pettibone and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Pettibone that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

Pettibone has a proud past and a bright future.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5297. An act to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6265. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Para-Aramid Fibers and Yarns Manufactured in a Qualifying Country" (DFARS Case 2008–D024) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2010; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6266. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Franklin L. Hagenbeck, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6267. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Thomas J. Kilcline, Jr., United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6268. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of (14) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general and brigadier general, as appropriate, in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6269. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense's intent to expand the role of women in the Marine Corps; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6270. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs),

transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 2009 of the National Guard Youth Challenge Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6271. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3309-EM in the State of North Dakota has exceeded the \$5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6272. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress on Profitability of Credit Card Operations of Depository Institutions"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6273. A communication from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Energy Outlook 2010"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6274. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 704(c) Remedial Regulations" ((TD 9485)(RIN1545-BF28)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6275. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amplifying Rev. Rul. 2003–20 to Apply to Recourse Debt" (Rev. Rul. 2010–17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6276. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. contributions to the United Nations and its affiliated agencies during fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6277. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Rules for Group Health Plans and Health Insurance Coverage Relating to Status as a Grandfathered Health Plan Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (RIN1210-AB42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6278. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Rules for Group Health Plans and Health Insurance Coverage Relating to Status as a Grandfathered Health Plan under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (RIN0991-AB68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6279. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Tobacco Prevention and Control Activities in the United States, 2005–2007"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6280. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education,